**SSC SOCIAL SCIENCE**

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**SSC.110 Global Issues**

This course introduces students to contemporary global issues and international relations. These diverse, complex issues stem from the synergistic interaction of economic, socio-cultural, and political factors. This course examines various influences that impact global issues, such as nation-states and governmental and non-governmental organizations as well as issues relating to gender, ethnicity, and power. The course also explores causes of conflicts and reviews potential solutions to contemporary global crises. *IAI Course No. S9 900*

General Education – Social Science Human Relations

**SSC.120 Statistics for Social Science**

This course introduces statistical methods through real-life problems as applicable in the social sciences. Students will have the opportunity to gather and analyze data. Commonly used statistical methods will be examined with discussion of descriptive and inferential methods. Topics include, but are not limited to, probability distributions, standard deviation, statistical inference, correlation and regression. Social science research is studied to determine necessary precision, interpretation skills and statistical procedures found in publications of both academic and applied research to help students critically interpret data. Qualitative and quantitative research studies will be critically evaluated. Statistical software is used to analyze data. This course is not intended for a mathematics major or minor. Students can take either SSC 120 or MAT 110, not both.

Offered: Spring or as Needed

Prerequisites: An ACT Math score of 25, and two years of high school algebra and one year of high school geometry or Geometry and Intermediate Algebra. MAT.083 with a grade of C or better and MAT.099 with a grade of C or better or two years of high school algebra and one year of geometry with grades of C or better or MAT.086 with a grade of C or better or MAT.098 with a grade of C or better.

Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits: Degree or Certificate: AA, AS, AAS, AGS, and Certificates where applicable.

*IAI Course No. M1 902*

General Education – Math

**SSC.201 Ethnic Studies**

This course is a study of the cultures of various ethnic groups. The intent is to develop an understanding of the multivalued nature of our society, with insight into the rewards and problems that cultural pluralism creates. The focus in the course may change from year to year, sometimes being on one or two ethnic groups, sometimes a more general survey. However, it is not to be taken more than once. The course is of interest to students preparing for vocations where such understandings may be of value, such as, teaching or social work, or anyone interested in understanding the variety of our society.

Offered: As Needed

Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:

Degree or Certificate: AA, AS, AAS, AGS, and Certificates where applicable.

General Education – Not Applicable Elective Only

**SSC.202 Perspectives of Social Science**

This course is designed to introduce students to basic research methods and theory bases used in the Social Sciences. The instructional approach is that of a seminar. Students will be introduced to a variety of methods used to study social research. A brief introduction to methodology of any one or combination of the following will be covered: History, Political Science, Sociology, Psychology, Geography, and Economics. Although there may be different disciplines highlighted, students are only allowed to take this course once.

Offered: As Needed

Applicable toward graduation at Sandburg where program structure permits:

Degree or Certificate: AA, AS, AAS, AGS, and Certificates where applicable.

General Education – Not Applicable Elective Only